

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

TRUSTEES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS

STATE LIBRARY

KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS THE

GEORGE FINGOLD LIBRARY

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING

JUNE 30, 1973

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in
General Court assembled:

The Trustees of the State Library make this their Sixty-fourth Annual Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973 under the provision of Chapter 6, Section 37, of the General Court Laws (Ter. Ed.)

Mr. Carl Gordon of Worcester resigned May 31, 1973. That trusteeship remained vacant at the end of the fiscal year.

The Trustees transmit herewith the Librarian's report and incorporate it as part of this record.

KEVIN B. HARRINGTON
President of the Senate

JOHN S. LENKIEWICZ
Chairman

DAVID M. BARTLEY
Speaker of the
House of Representatives

MRS. ASHTON SMITH

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in

General Court assembled:

The Trustees of the State Library, with this report, submit

their annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977.

Under the provision of Chapter 6, Section 11, of the General

Laws (Act 66),

Mr. Carl Jordan of Worcester resigned May 31, 1977.

That trusteeship remained vacant at the end of the fiscal year.

The Trustees transmit herewith the Librarian's report

and enclosures as a part of this report.

JOHN E. LASKOVICZ
Chairman

KEVIN E. WASHINGTON
President of the Senate

WILLIAM A. LADD
Speaker of the House

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Speaker of the House
House of Representatives

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

I have the honor to submit the following report concerning the activities of the Massachusetts State Library during the year ending June 30, 1973.

Mr. I. Albert Matkov retired as State Librarian on July 31, 1972, after serving in that capacity since April 7, 1960.

Mr. Matkov had been on the State Library's staff since December 1949. Mr. Gasper A. Caso, Assistant State Librarian and Counsel served as Acting State Librarian from August 1972 until March 1973. A. Hunter Rineer, Jr., was appointed and qualified as State Librarian on April 2, 1973.

Effective June 30, 1973, Mrs. Ann P. Caraganis retired after 20 years of state service; Mr. Alphonse A. Fiore retired after 12 years of state service, and Mrs. Margaret L. Miller retired after 21 years of service.

A plan to revise the staffing and organization was submitted to the Bureau of Personnel and Standardization. It is expected that this plan will be implemented with the 1975 fiscal year. In the meantime, the State Librarian has spelled out in an administrative memorandum to the staff all of the basic current personnel policies and procedures. Plans to realign job requirements and to establish clear cut levels of supervision are well advanced.

Significant improvements and changes are being made in the library's collection and its organization. Greater emphasis is being placed on the periodical and newspaper collections because of their currency in providing the latest information.

Efforts have been made to bring the federal publications depository collection and the material being acquired for that collection into closer relevance to the library's contemporary role. A great number of items are being dropped from the receiving list; a smaller number of new items are being added.

The library's exchange lists have been updated and revised.

STATISTICAL REPORT

<u>Service</u>	<u>1971/72</u>	<u>1972/73</u>
Items used in library	49,905	27,749
Items borrowed for use outside the library	6,298	
Items lent in inter- library loan	276	191
Photocopies sent in lieu of interlibrary loan of actual material		155
Telephone reference inquiries	8,917	7,538
Reference inquiries answered by mail		325

Collection:

Volumes and pamphlets represented in main card catalog in June 1972	866,626
Items added July 1972 to June 1973	<u>11,136</u> 877,762
Items withdrawn July 1972-June 1973	<u>1,829</u>
Total as of July 1973	<u>875.933</u>

